

Susu Rimau. In Journal No. 22, on page 340, I gave some account of the curious vegetable product known to the Malays as *Susu Rimau*, the sclerotium or resting stage of some species of *Polyporus*. I have since obtained other fine specimens of the tuber and the fully developed fungus attached in Singapore and Penang, and Mr. Masee, of Kew, has identified it as *Polyporus sacer*, a very widely distributed fungus.

A Pulau Tiuman Superstition.

I visited the Pahang island of Tiuman in 1898 and stumbled across a superstition which did not impress me very much at the time, though it was recalled to my memory by hearing later of an almost identical belief concerning a hill in upper Siam.

Shortly after going ashore at the island the headman requested me to prevent my Chinese cook bringing any vinegar off the boat; he informed me that if by any chance the vinegar should be spilt, the island would be convulsed and a terrible storm result. On an occasion a few years previously the cook of an European prospector at work on the island had by a similar accident raised such a typhoon that, to quote my informant "the sea was invisible for five days."

This superstition is evidently connected with the widespread belief that no dragon can face vinegar, for it was told me in the village under the peculiar double spur of hill at the extreme south of the island called "Chula Naga" (Dragon's Horns), and it has peculiar application in this instance, though dragons are accredited to several other mountains on the peninsula.

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